

**SENATE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION No. _____**

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

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Whereas, American citizens provide more public good through voluntary action than any other society in the world. Volunteerism is a form of citizen participation that brings together individuals in a community to offer their time, talents, and treasures for the common good;

Whereas, the international events of the past fifteen months have resulted in Americans experiencing a renewed sense of patriotism and a nationalistic spirit marked by a newfound sense of altruism;

Whereas, the value of caring for our communities and our neighbors remains as important to the residents of Indiana as it did when the state was first founded. Volunteerism is crucial to the sustainability and effectiveness of Indiana's communities in the 21st century;

Whereas, volunteerism challenges the people of Indiana to improve the quality of life within their own communities by delivering vital services in the areas of education, the environment, human needs, and public safety;

Whereas, Hoosiers take their civic responsibility



seriously by volunteering in local community and faith-based institutions and for purposeful causes designed to strengthen and to meet the needs of their local communities; and

Whereas, the tireless efforts of Hoosier volunteers is marked "by the better angels of our nature," as Abraham Lincoln referred to it on his first inaugural address: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives concurring:

1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly encourages the
2 citizens of Indiana to reflect on the importance of volunteerism to our
3 communities and to engage themselves in making their communities
4 even better places to live and work.

5 SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to
6 transmit a copy of this Resolution to the Indiana Association of
7 Volunteer Centers, the Indiana Association of United Ways, and the
8 Indiana Commission on Community Service and Volunteerism.

